

## TO THE EDITOR OF THE POLYNESIAN.

SIR:—There are some mistakes in the papers of this week which, with your permission, I beg leave to correct.

First, in the *Friend*, it is said, "The American Board is supporting a school for boys at Hilo, Hawaii, and another at Waioli, Kauai; the government is sustaining the Seminary at Lahainaluna, Maui, and the Royal School at Honolulu; but all these are for males."

The underscoring is my own. It does seem a little odd that the editor of the *Friend* was on the Examining Committee of the Royal School a few days since and saw no girls there; I saw at least one, who appeared very promising. That school is open both to boys and girls, but the parents of the girls do not choose to send them. The natives have not understood the importance of educating their females; they see no use in it to the extent that they do in that of the boys. Yet the southern apartment of the Royal School is devoted exclusively to girls—native girls—who, to the number of thirty, are daily instructed by a competent young lady. I would remind the editor of the *Friend*, that one way to make folks do more is to give them credit for what they have done. This he has failed to do.

Secondly, the editorial of this week's *P. C. Advertiser* contains such a gross perversion of facts in relation to our schools and education, that to correct them all would require an article no shorter than that editorial itself.

Speaking of the Royal School the editor says, "Foreigners will not send their children to associate with natives," &c. He would have the distinction of caste established on the ground of color. But how has it been formerly with that school, when under the Messrs Beckwiths, its most flourishing days? Were there no natives then. If my information is correct, a large number of them were natives and half-castes, and exhibited no intellectual inferiority to their Anglo-Saxon school mates, and were much more tractable. If experiment is good for anything, it has been proved that white children of good habits can be associated with natives to advantage in the same school. Moreover, this mixed school was, in the editor's opinion, "just the school," and I most heartily concur with him. But the editor's brain is too fertile to produce much "wheat," the "tares" find a more congenial soil there, and what he goes on to say fully establishes that point. He is entirely wrong (*ut fit*) in his account of Mr. Beckwith's resignation and inauguration. That gentleman had determined on returning to his native land to prepare himself for a calling more congenial to his tastes. Accordingly he resigned. His call to Punaohu was unexpected and by no means immediately accepted.

His best scholars followed him when he established himself there, and deprived the Royal School of its true supporters. At this crisis Mr. M. B. Beckwith took charge of it. Who were to fill it up? It must be sustained, and as the town people manifested nothing like zeal in supporting it, natives were sent in, who finally became the majority. The teacher was an "accomplished" man, trained to his work, the school was almost free from natives, and why didn't the foreign residents improve their chance? The government has done its best to educate foreign children. In justice I must say that the descendants of missionaries only have properly availed themselves of their opportunities. It was they who established the former character of the Royal School. To carry out the idea of the *Advertiser*, private parties only can be the agency; an exclusive school for whites cannot be supported by government, for it knows no distinction of color or race in this matter.

The ungenerous remarks of the *Advertiser* in relation to Oahu College show a biased mind and a credulous ear. "Favoritism!" Oh, the pleasure, the delight, the unspeakable ecstasy, in undertaking to build up a college on these shores; who does not envy those in whose hands the labor has been placed. Perhaps those do not remember that the history of a college is a record of struggles with opposition and disappointment.

In regard to what is said of Mr. Dole's dismission, I pledge myself to prove that it is utterly false, if desired to do so.

I say, finally, that the editor of the *Commercial Advertiser* is no friend to our College, and no friend to the cause of liberal education on these islands. The result will be that soon he will not number among his friends those who are searching for knowledge and truth.

A STUDENT.

## TO THE EDITOR OF THE POLYNESIAN.

Permit me through your columns to congratulate your worthy confere of the *Advertiser* for having once in his editorial life struck a subject with which the public, irrespective of nation and creed, can sympathize. I mean EDUCATION—its end and its means, its responsibilities and its rights.

Though not generally an admirer of either the style or the subject matter of the rank and file of the *Advertiser's* forces, I am free to say, that a more sensible, neater and more gentlemanly introduction to a sore subject in a sorry condition has seldom appeared in Honolulu journalism. It is a silken lash, but it cuts keenly, and the only regret I feel is that it was not applied six months or a year ago. To broach the subject now, however, just on the eve of the departure of the President of the Board of Education, would have so much the appearance of having lain in wait for his absence, in order to assail his system and his management, that, unless there is an absolute prospect of a speedy and beneficial change, I could hardly coincide in either the justice or propriety of "hurrying up the cakes" now. As the President however stated over his own signature in the native newspaper that "poor boys, and native boys too, will be admitted (to the Oahu College) if qualified," I respectfully beg to ask: at what preliminary schools in this country are such boys to be qualified for admission? Are we to have a college without any preparatory schools standing intermediate between the common free schools and a university education? But assuming that the college is started and high-schools erected to serve as its feeders, what guarantee has the public that a Protestant college, originating with Protestant missionaries, endowed by Protestant contributions, directed by Protestant trustees, and managed by Protestant teachers, will admit Roman Catholic students, and, if admitted, that the religious impressions of such students or their parents will not be tampered with or needlessly wounded?

We are told that the college is to be a national institution: as such, religious equality must reign within its walls, and the two-fifths of His Majesty's subjects professing Catholicism, be equally protected in their religious creed, with the three-fifths professing Protestantism. As a national concern, I can conceive the propriety of the President going to the United States to place himself *en rapport* with the Protestant Missionary Board in Boston for the purpose of operating on a liberal public there; but also, as a national concern, showing no religious preference, it is not only proper but absolutely necessary that he should also place himself *en rapport*, for the same purpose, with the Propaganda of Rome, its affiliations in France, or at least with Archbishop Hughes in New York. Any thing short of this, it seems to me, will compromise an express constitutional declaration.

Referring to this subject at another time, I am, &c., CAUTIOUS.

## GENERAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

**BREAD.**  
**10,000** LBS. NAVY BREAD—For sale low by the Hawaiian Flour Co. J. F. B. MARSHALL, Agent.  
May 15, 1857. 2-6t

**Storage!**  
**STORAGE FOR 400 TO 500 TONS, HEAVY** or light goods, on the premises of the undersigned. (1-tf) B. F. SNOW.

**WOOL, HIDES, GOAT SKINS, TALLOW.**  
**GRAZIERS AND BUTCHERS,**  
**ATTENTION!** The undersigned offers the highest cash market rates for the above articles, deliverable at Honolulu, or any of the ports of the Islands.

**Liberal Cash Advances.**  
Without interest, will be made to those who desire, and contracts will be made for any length of time.  
E. P. ADAMS,  
52-tf Office corner Queen and Kaahumanu sts. Up stairs.

**Cottage to Let.**  
**TO LET—THE HOUSE NOW OCCUPIED** by Thomas Brown, in Nuuanu Valley, makai of the residence of E. O. Hall.  
Register Office, May 1, 1857. 52-tf

**Exchange Wanted!**  
**EXCHANGE** on ENGLAND or the UNITED STATES, for a limited amount, will be purchased at market rates.  
ROBERT C. CLOUSTON.  
Honolulu, 20th March, 1857. 46-tf

**BURTON ALE**, in hogsheads, for sale by 47-tf ROBERT C. JANION.

**THE UNDERSIGNED** being about to leave this Kingdom for a short time, has appointed HENRY HACKFELD, Esq., his attorney for the transaction of all business in his name during his absence.  
C. H. LEWERS.  
Honolulu, March 27th, 1857. 47-tf

## CITY MARKET.

**WM. MAXWELL HAVING** this day purchased the interest of H. Hanley in the above establishment, will continue the business under the same style in the same locality on King street, opposite the new store of J. T. Waterhouse, where he will endeavor to give satisfaction to those who may favor him with their custom.

N. B. Attention will be paid to the selection of stock, so that the best quality of meat may be relied on.

Orders punctually attended to, and delivered to any part of the city within two miles, free of extra charge. 3-tf

## CENTRE MARKET.

**J. A. HORNIBLOW, BUTCHER,**  
WOULD respectfully inform the citizens of Honolulu that he has leased the premises formerly known as the "Family Market," on King street, and will open the same on the 1st of April, where can be had everything pertaining to the butchering business. The patronage of the public is respectfully solicited.

N. B. Orders delivered to any part of the city free of extra charge. 47-9m

## Notice.

**ALL PERSONS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that the herds of Wild Cattle belonging to His Majesty and the Government, running in the districts of Hilo, Hamakua, and South Kohala, and between Maunakea and Maunaloa, in the island of Hawaii, have been this day sold to Mr. E. P. Adams. By order of the Minister of the Interior.  
S. SPENCER, Chf. Clerk.  
Honolulu, April 22, 1857. 51-tf

**WINE, Butter, Soda and Water CRACKERS.** For sale by 43-tf SAVIDGE & MAY.

## To Lease.

**STORE LOTS ON FORT STREET, BETWEEN** King and Hotel streets. Enquire of May 1, 1857.—52-tf A. J. CARTWRIGHT.

## HONOLULU PRICES CURRENT.

**CORRECTED WEEKLY BY**  
**J. C. SPALDING,**  
COMMISSION MERCHANT AND IMPORTER, HONOLULU, H. I.

Duties payable in coin, 5 cent. ad valorem on all wares and merchandise, excepting Liquors. On Liquors as follows: Brandy, Rum, Gin, Whisky, Arrack, and distilled spirits not exceeding 55 per cent. of alcohol, \$5 per gallon.  
Wines, Cordials and Liqueurs of all descriptions, other than Claret, not exceeding 27 per cent. of alcohol, \$1 per gallon.  
Claret Wines, Ale, Porter, Beer, Cider, and all other fermented liquors, cordials and liqueurs, not exceeding 18 per cent. of alcohol, 5 cent. ad valorem.  
Distilled Spirits, Wines of all descriptions, Ale, Porter, Beer, Cider, and all other fermented liquors, cordials and liqueurs, exceeding 55 per cent. of alcohol, \$10 per gallon.

**Exchange.**—American Whalers' Bills, 1 @ 1 1/2 cent. premium.  
**STERLING EXCHANGE.**—None.

**Anchors,** new, per lb., nominal.  
Market glutted, with a stock sufficient for the wants of the ensuing year.

**Bricks,** per M., nominal.  
Secondhand, 20 @ 25 ..

**Boots and Shoes.**  
Men's fine Boots, per pair, .. @ 6 ..

" calf sewed, per pair, .. @ 4 ..

" coarse Brogans, per pair, .. @ 1 3/4 ..

" fine Calf do., .. @ 1 7/8 ..

" Gaiters and Congress Ties, .. none.

**Bread,**—Stock heavy and little inquiry.

Navy, .. @ 8 ..

Pilot, .. @ 9 ..

**Coffee,** per lb., .. 12 1/2 @ 14 ..

Hawaiian, .. 12 1/2 @ 14 ..

**Candles,** per lb., .. @ 40 ..

Adamantine, .. none offered.

Sperm, .. nominal

**Chains,** Secondhand, .. nominal

" with little inquiry, ..

Cigars, .. 14 @ ..

Manila cheroots, No. 2, .. 15 @ ..

" Havana shaped, .. 15 @ ..

**Cordage,** per lb.—a heavy stock in first hands.

American, .. @ 15 ..

Russia, .. @ 18 ..

Manila, .. @ 18 ..

Bolt Rope, .. @ 22 ..

Whale Line, .. @ 19 @ 22 ..

**Coal,** per ton, .. No inquiry.

**Dry Goods.**—No transactions of importance.

Brown Sheetings, &c., 30 in. pr yd., .. @ 9 ..

do do 37 in. pr yd., .. @ 10 ..

do do 37 in. stout, pr yd., .. @ 11 ..

Bleached Sheetings, 38 in. pr yd., .. @ 8 ..

do do 33 3/4 pr yd., .. @ 10 ..

Madapolams, .. @ 7 ..

Drills, 30 in. bro pr yd., .. @ 11 ..

do 28 in. blechd. pr yd., .. @ 12 ..

do 28 in. blue, pr yd., .. @ 12 1/2 ..

Jeans, 28 in. brown, pr yd., .. none.

do 28 in. blechd do, .. @ 12 ..

Denims, pr yd., .. @ 12 @ 13 ..

Ticks, pr yd., .. none.

Ginghams, pr yd., .. @ 14 ..

English 4-4 Prints, pr yd., .. none.

American 25 in. Merrimac, 2 blue, pr yd., .. none.

do do Pinks, do, .. none.

Muslins, pr yd.—French 36 in., .. @ 12 @ 15 ..

do English do, .. @ 27 @ 30 ..

Duck, American Cotton, 12 1/2 pr yd., .. @ 18 ..

DeBruinsins, pr piece, .. @ 10 @ 12 ..

Light Ravens, .. @ 12 @ 15 ..

Heavy do, .. @ 12 @ 15 ..

**Fish.**

Salmon, pickled, per bbl., .. 11 @ 14 ..

**Flour.**—Market well supplied.

California, .. 13 @ 15 ..

Oregon, .. @ 15 ..

**Fruits.**—with but slight inquiry.

Dried Apples, per lb., .. @ 14 ..

Prunes, per lb., .. @ 20 ..

Figs, .. @ 20 ..

Currents, .. @ 12 1/2 ..

Raisins, per box, best layer, .. \$5 @ 6 ..

Pie Fruits, Eng., qts., per doz., .. @ 5 ..

do Am., .. @ 4 50 ..

**Grain.** per lb.—Scarce and in demand.

Oats, .. none.

Barley, .. 5 1/2 @ 6 ..

Beans, .. @ 22 ..

Corn, sound yellow, .. @ 20 ..

**Gunny Bags.** .. @ 5 ..

**Grindstones.** per lb., .. @ 10 ..

**Grapes.** per lb., .. @ 1 ..

**Hardware.**

A heavy stock and little inquiry.

Iron, no sales .. @ 6 ..

Nails, from 4d to 12d, ass'd., .. @ 6 1/2 ..

Collins' Axes, per doz., hand'd., .. @ 10 @ 14 ..

**Hides.** per lb., salted, in brisk demand, .. @ 24 @ 25 ..

Goat Skins, each, for large skins, .. @ 24 @ 25 ..

do small, .. @ 25 @ 26 ..

**Hops.** per lb., .. @ 12 1/2 ..

**Horses.** per pair, .. @ 12 1/2 ..

**Lumber.**—prices asked by regular dealers.

Oregon, per M., .. 40 @ 45 ..

White Pine, Eastern, .. 75 @ 80 ..

Shingles, redwood, .. 6 @ 8 ..

Clapboards, per M., .. @ 20 ..

**Lime.** per bbl., .. 2 @ 3 ..

**Malt Liquors.**—Scarce.

Ale, favorite brands, .. @ 3 50 ..

Porter, .. @ 3 ..

**Molasses.**—S L., .. @ 45 ..

Syrup, .. @ 50 ..

**Mustard.**—1 lb bottles, per doz., .. 3 @ 4 ..

**Naval Stores.**

Tar, lb bbl., .. a 9 ..

Resin, do, .. a 7 ..

Pitch, do, .. a 7 ..

Spirits Turpentine, lb gall., .. a 1 20 ..

**Oils.**

Whale, .. 55 @ 70 ..

Sperm, .. none offered.

Boiled Linseed, .. 1 62 @ 1 75 ..

Olive Oil, in qts., per doz., .. 6 @ 8 ..

**Oars.** per ft., .. @ 14 ..

**Paints.**

White Lead, pure, per lb., .. 12 1/2 @ 13 ..

do Extra, .. 10 @ 11 ..

do No 1, .. 8 @ 9 ..

Litharge, per lb., .. @ 20 ..

Prussian Blue, .. none.

Vermilion, Chinese, .. a 1 50 ..

Verdigris, .. a 62 1/2 ..

French Yellow, .. a 6 ..

**Preserves.**—Sales at quotations.

Oysters, 2 lb, per doz., .. 9 @ 10 ..

Clams, .. @ 5 ..

Lobsters, .. @ 4 50 ..

Pickles, Gherkins, 1 gal., per doz., .. @ 5 ..

**Provisions.**—Stock ample, with exception of

Mess and Prime Pork, .. none.

Prime Pork, .. @ 27 ..

Hawaiian cured Pork, .. none.

Hams, per lb, prime, .. none.

Lard, tins, .. none.

Cheese, best quality, .. @ 29 ..

Butter, prime, .. @ 45 ..

Beef, American mess, .. 20 @ 23 ..

" Hawaiian, for best quality, .. 13 @ 14 ..

**Pulu,** per lb., .. @ 6 ..

**Rice.** per lb.—

Carolina, .. none.

Panna, .. @ 6 ..

Salt, per bbl., abundant, .. \$1 @ ..

**Soap.** per lb.—

Brown, .. 6 @ 7 ..

Salt Water, .. 8 @ 10 ..

**Shot.** per lb., .. @ 10 ..

**Spirits.**—best qualities in demand.

Brandy, dark Martell's, per gal., .. 4 @ 4 50 ..

" light, .. 4 @ 4 50 ..

Ordinary dark and pale brands, .. 2 @ 2 50 ..

Gin, best quality, per gal., .. @ 2 50 ..

" in qts., glass, per doz., .. 6 @ 7 ..

Monongahela Whisky, per gal., .. @ 2 1/2 ..

Rum, .. none.

Alcohol, .. 2 @ 2 50 ..

**Sugar.**—Hawaiian, .. 7 @ 8 ..

American Loaf, .. none.

" crushed, in hf. bbls., .. @ 7 1/2 ..

**Tallow.** per lb., .. @ 7 ..

**Teas.**

Gunpowder and Imperial, .. @ 20 ..

Fine Black, .. @ 25 ..

Common do., for ships' use, .. 25 @ 30 ..

**Tobacco.** per lb.—

1 lb plugs, in 18 1/2 lb boxes, .. 37 1/2 @ 40 ..

Fancy b'ds & com. Cavendish 8 1/2 lb to the lb., .. 18 @ 20 ..

**Wines.**